

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants	Andre Timmermans, <i>et al.</i>
Application No. 10/810,288	Filing Date: March 26, 2004
Title of Application:	Device for Introducing a Suture Thread Anchor into a Bone
Confirmation No. 9283	Art Unit: 3731
Examiner	James L. Swiger III

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**Response Accompanying RCE**

This is a Response to the outstanding Final Office Action mailed May 18, 2007. Please enter this Response in the above-referenced application. The Response is being filed in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), along with the appropriate fee therefor. Applicant submits herewith the fee for one (1) dependent claim, and two months extension of time fee. Applicant believes that no further fee is due in connection with the filing of this Response. However, if any further fee is due please charge Deposit Account No. 19-4516.

It should be noted that the Applicant filed a Notice of Appeal in connection with this Application on August 10, 2007. The Applicant respectfully submits that its RCE and Accompanying Response serve to withdraw the Notice of Appeal under MPEP § 1215.01.